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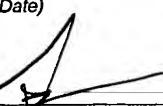

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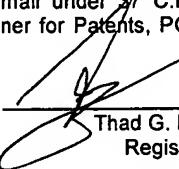
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Honorable Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated March 31, 2006 regarding the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-33 are pending in the application. Currently, Claims 12-15 and 24-33 have been withdrawn from consideration, and Claims 1-11 and 16-23 have been rejected.

The Current Status of the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

An Appendix with a Replacement Sheet is attached following page 19 of this paper.